

NEWS and NOTES

NATIONAL • STATE • COUNTY

ALAMEDA

Alameda County branch of the American Cancer Society has announced establishment of headquarters at 121 East 11th Street, Oakland, and has set up a booth in the H. C. Capwell store to give the public information in regard to early recognition and treatment of cancer. The booth will be staffed six days a week by volunteers from the Women's Medical Auxiliary and other women's organizations.

A blood donor center has been established at 285 12th Street, Oakland, by Cutter Laboratories. The company said that the center, which can handle more than a hundred paid donors daily, was needed to serve the increasing medical demands for human blood fraction products. This is the second such establishment set up by Cutter. The other, in San Francisco, has been in operation for the past two years.

Chamber of Commerce Survey shows that physicians interviewed are generally in favor of a new hospital in the San Leandro area. However, many doctors believe the hospital should accommodate at least 100 beds instead of the proposed 75. The favored site for the new hospital is close to San Leandro, between the easterly city limits and 150th Avenue, the survey showed.

CONTRA COSTA

Dr. Charles H. Jessup has been assigned to the staff of the Contra Costa County Hospital, Martinez. Dr. Jessup, a graduate of Marquette Medical School in Milwaukee, was recently released from the Navy. He succeeds Dr. Maurice Fishbein, who has gone to San Francisco to resume his studies. Dr. Walrin Joseph Ray also joined the County Hospital staff recently, replacing Dr. E. H. Morken, who is on vacation and leave of absence.

FRESNO

Dr. Leo M. Goodman has opened an office in the Boucher Building, 2050 Amador Street, Fresno, after four years in the Navy. Dr. Goodman was formerly the resident physician at the Fresno County General Hospital and assistant to Dr. H. M. Ginsburg, who recently resigned as director of the hospital.

Dr. Elmer Hof has resumed his Fresno practice in his newly completed nine-room clinic at the southeast corner of Olive and San Pablo Avenue. Dr. Hof, who has just returned from two years of service with the Coast Guard, received his medical training at the University of Kansas and served his internship in the Southern Pacific Hospital in San Francisco.

KINGS

The resignation of Dr. C. T. Rosson, Sr., as county physician has been announced by Chairman Russell Troutner of the Kings County Board of Supervisors. Dr. Rosson is replaced by Dr. Charles Hedges, formerly of Charleston, West Virginia.

Dr. William L. Dittes, who until recently served as a lieutenant in the Navy Medical Corps, has returned to private practice and is now associated with Dr. L. W. Sorenson in Corcoran.

LOS ANGELES

Dr. Arthur O. Stewart, who was discharged from naval service on June 15, has resumed private practice at 320 North Glendale. While in the Navy, Dr. Stewart was in charge of the department of anesthesia at the naval hospital at Long Beach.

Dr. James R. Spencer has been appointed resident in surgery at the Huntington Memorial Hospital, it was announced by officials at the hospital. Dr. Spencer, just released from active service as a Navy medical officer, attended the University of Texas Medical School, graduating as a Navy V-12 student in 1944.

Physical Medical Training for Physicians at the Los Angeles County General Hospital has been approved by the American Medical Association, according to a communication from Leroy R. Bruce, director of the institution. The present head of the physical medicine department of the General Hospital is Ora L. Huddleston, M.D., formerly with the University of Colorado and the Fitzsimmons General Hospital of the U. S. Army at Denver.

Lt. Col. Kenneth W. Taber of the U. S. Army Medical Corps has just received a three years' appointment to Johns Hopkins Medical School through the Dean's Committee and will specialize there in radiology and cancer research. Before serving with the Army, Colonel Taber practiced medicine for 13 years in Pasadena and during that time was on the faculty of the University of Southern California Medical School.

Dr. Charles C. Levy who recently returned from overseas service, has opened an office at his home, 720 Screenland Drive, Burbank.

Dr. Albert J. Miller of Azusa has announced his intention to enter medical practice in Monrovia. He will be associated with Dr. Robert E. Crusan. Dr. Miller returned from overseas service with the Army about two months ago. Much of his time with the Army was spent at Heidelberg University where he engaged in medical research.

Dr. Roy O. Gilbert of Sherman Oaks became acting county health officer for Los Angeles County July 1 when the resignation of County Health Officer H. O. Swartout became effective. Dr. Gilbert's appointment covers the months of July and August. On September 1 the Board of Supervisors is expected to set up a County Health Commission which would serve in conjunction with Los Angeles City Health Officer George M. Uhl to administer health affairs of all cities of the county, including Pasadena. Overtures will be made to the cities of Pasadena, Long Beach, Beverly Hills and Vernon asking them to join with the City of Los Angeles in becoming part of a unified county health program.

MADERA

Dr. Ellis D. Jamison has been appointed by the Madera County Board of Supervisors as resident physician of the Madera County Hospital to succeed Dr. Roland Young, who resigned to practice in Quincy. Dr. Jamison graduated from Stanford University and served his internship in the Fresno County Hospital. He was recently discharged from the Army.

ORANGE

Wintersburg Grange was the first in Southern California to report a majority sign-up of members for benefits of the State Grange-California Physicians Service prepaid health cooperative. Many other Granges in Southern California are now actively engaged in obtaining sufficient sign-up of members to qualify for C.P.S. affiliation. It is expected that a considerable number of them will report success.

SAN DIEGO

Dr. Stephen E. Flynn has returned to Coronado after having been absent since the beginning of the war. Dr. Flynn was senior medical officer aboard the cruiser USS Columbia and received the Bronze Star and Navy Unit Commendation for meritorious conduct in line of his profession at Lingayen Gulf, Philippine Islands, in January, 1945. Dr. Flynn's new office is located at 1024 Isabella Ave.

SAN FRANCISCO

Dr. William McDowell Hammon, noted University of California epidemiologist, has been appointed dean of the school of public health on the Berkeley campus of that institution. Dr. Hammon, a leading authority on encephalitis, was called to Okinawa during the war to aid in controlling outbreaks of the Japanese "B" encephalitis among American troops. Earlier this year he went to Tokyo to advise General Douglas MacArthur's command on the same subject. Dr. Hammon received his M.D. at the Harvard Medical School and a degree of Doctor of Public Health at Harvard. He also studied in Belgium and was a member of a hospital staff in the Belgian Congo. He replaces Dr. Walter H. Brown, who recently retired.

Dr. Philip K. Gilman, former president of the California Medical Association, has been installed as president of the Society of State Medical Associations. He succeeds Dr. Andrews Brunk of Michigan.

SAN MATEO

Dr. William G. Schmitz and **Dr. Philip Vogel**, both recently discharged from the Army's medical service, have leased offices in the Bachelder Building, 201 Broadway, Millbrae, where they will be associated in private practice.

Return of 22 doctors to practice after serving in the armed forces is announced by officials of the San Mateo County Medical Society. Resuming their practices are Doctors E. G. Gamette, V. H. Heinz, Gordon Morrison, P. A. Seeley of Burlingame; Paul Anzinger, J. G. Bridgman, T. E. Farthing, J. K. Hazel, O. M. Holmes, Martin Karr, William Layton, A. G. Miller, W. W. Mills, R. R. Moulton of San Mateo; Norman Fox, Werner Glasser, Harry Smith, of San Bruno; Bard Berry, Dewey F. Brown, W. B. Hurlbut of Redwood City; R. D. Borley of Half Moon Bay, and S. J. Guardino of Brisbane.

SANTA CLARA

Dr. W. Elwyn Turner has replaced Dr. Cecil M. Burchfiel as county health officer of the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors. Dr. Burchfiel's resignation was accepted with regret. Under his direction the staff of the department was increased and the scope of the work enlarged. Dr. Burchfiel is a graduate of Washington Medical School in St. Louis.

RIVERSIDE

Dr. Earl M. Edison has opened offices at 1317 East Las Tunas Drive, San Gabriel, in the premises occupied

by Dr. Raymond O'Connell. Dr. Edison, a graduate of Northwestern University, has been out of the Army approximately eight months, during which time he has been associated with Dr. Lawrence Butka of Alhambra.

TULARE

Dr. Rodney F. Wood has opened offices at 132 North M Street, Tulare. Dr. Wood recently returned from military service.

Stanford University School of Medicine has announced 11 postgraduate medical courses for practicing physicians, and the **University of California Extension Division** will offer three. All the courses begin in September, all will be held in San Francisco.

The Stanford courses, given in cooperation with the San Francisco Department of Public Health and the San Francisco Hospital, include Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, Ward Rounds in Surgery, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Otorhinolaryngology, Cardiovascular Disease, Hypertension and Nephritis, Surgical Anatomy and Operative Technique, Proctology, Ophthalmology, and Anesthesiology. They will be given September 2-6, inclusive. In addition there will be a general meeting on Arthritis, in Lane Hall, Tuesday evening, September 3, and another on Thoracic Surgery at the same place the following Thursday evening.

U. C. Extension courses include: Venereal Disease Diagnosis, Treatment, and Control, with lectures beginning September 13 and ending January 10, 1947; Internal Medicine, beginning September 23 and continuing to December 9; A Refresher Course in Psychiatry, to be given at the Langley Porter Clinic, starting September 16 and continuing for 12 weeks.

Distribution of a questionnaire to physicians as a part of a nation-wide study of Child Health Services is planned for early September, it is announced by the American Academy of Pediatrics which is conducting the study. Purpose of the questionnaire is to determine the extent and availability of existing child health facilities in each community.

The questionnaires are simple, one-page forms and are to cover one specific day of the week.

"Cooperation of physicians in furnishing the required information for study is essential for the success of the program," the Academy says, "and it is important that the questions be answered correctly and for the specified time, even though that day may not be representative of the answering physician's practice, so that an accurate over-all picture can be obtained."

The Academy's announcement says that the entire program has been approved by the American Medical Association, California Medical Association, California Dental Association, and the State pediatric groups.

Inquiries may be addressed to the American Academy of Pediatrics Study of Child Health Services, 2180 Washington Street, San Francisco, 9.

Appointment of four California surgeons as consultants to the Secretary of War through the Surgeon General has been announced by the War Department.

The four from California, who are among 74 physicians and surgeons in the country named to similar positions, are: Sterling Bunnell, San Francisco, plastic surgeon; and three general surgeons—Meridith Beaver of Redlands, Carleton Mathewson of San Francisco, and Gordon K. Smith, Los Angeles.

"Appointments were made," the War Department said,

(Continued on Advertising Page 46)

NEWS AND NOTES

(Continued from Text Page 87)

"as part of the Army Medical Department's program to maintain the highest possible standards of medical practice." As consultants, the appointees will be expected "to evaluate, promote and improve wherever possible the quality of medical care given the American soldier."

The American College of Physicians will hold its 28th annual session in Chicago, April 28-May 2, 1947, according to E. R. Loveland, executive secretary, who makes early announcement of the meeting because "medical societies and physicians appreciate knowing long in advance the dates of important national medical meetings" in order to avoid conflicting dates. Address of the College is 4200 Pine Street, Philadelphia 4.

Voluntary medical and hospitalization plan coverage of about 80 per cent of all employees of the oil industry in California is indicated by a survey recently conducted by Oil Producers Agency. Companies reporting medical and hospitalization plans in force account for between 80 and 90 per cent of all employment in the industry, and those companies reporting no such programs have relatively few employees. Of the plans reported, all provided for hospitalization, about 88 per cent for employee surgery within limits varying with the type and cost of the plan, and approximately 35 per cent cover routine medical care for employees. About 50 per cent make provision for some degree of medical, hospital and surgical services for members of employees' families, although there is wide variation in type and amount of such coverage.

An Assembly committee on health insurance of the California legislature has recommended that the state provide medical care facilities for all who need them,

with a system of free clinics staffed by doctors on state salaries where medical care is inadequate. The committee did not, however, make any recommendation regarding compulsory public health insurance.

Finding that medical facilities in the state "are below the level which must obtain if the people are to have adequate care," the Assembly group recommended:

1. That the State Department of Public Health sponsor conferences of doctors, insurance companies and legislators to recommend improvements in health services to the legislature.

2. State responsibility for maternity care of women and medical care for children up to two years of age.

Among other findings of the committee were that compulsory health insurance as proposed in bills before the 1945 legislature cannot be financed on a 3 per cent payroll tax without modification of the plan. It reported also that although a survey made for the committee indicated 76 per cent of the people of the state were opposed to compulsory health insurance, just over half believe the state should set up a voluntary system to compete with insurance companies.

The State Board of Medical Examiners of California will add three inspectors to its staff to take care of an increasing number of complaints and applications for licenses to practice medicine in the state, according to Fred Taylor, assistant director of professional and vocational standards. Applications by physicians for licenses totaled 1,529 in the first six months of 1946, comparing with 1,220 during the entire year 1945, Mr. Taylor said.

Operative surgical clinics in 17 Detroit hospitals will be featured the first morning of the Eleventh Assembly of the United States Chapter, International College of Surgeons, to be held in Detroit, October 21-22-23.

(Continued on Page 48)

DRINK



Coca-Cola

REG. U. S. PAT. OFF.

**You trust
its quality**



NEWS AND NOTES

(Continued from Page 46)

Special arrangements have been made to demonstrate the advances in gastric, thoracic, biliary, intestinal, genitourinary, and plastic surgery. The various specialties, such as, ophthalmology, otolaryngology, and gynecology, the modern treatment of burns, fractures, and modern uses of wire in surgery will be featured.

During the remainder of the three-day Assembly, 32 internationally known speakers will deliver 20-minute surgical talks in Detroit's Masonic Temple.

For information concerning the Detroit Assembly or the primary qualifications for Fellowship in the United States Chapter, International College of Surgeons, write

Secretary L. J. Garipey, M.D., 16401 Grand River Avenue, Detroit 27, Michigan.

Any patient with a bona fide Addisonian pernicious anemia may receive, without charge, a gastroscopic examination of his stomach as well as a gastrointestinal x-ray series. Funds to finance the service were granted by the International Cancer Research Foundation.

This work is based on the belief that gastric tumors both benign and malignant, develop with undue frequency in those with pernicious anemia.

Any physician desiring to utilize this service should write to the Director of the Out-Patient Department, University of California Hospital. Instructions and an appointment will be sent. Data always should be included which demonstrate the unequivocal diagnosis of pernicious anemia. A report will be made to the referring doctor.

(Continued on Page 52)

COMPTON SANITARIUM

820 West Compton Blvd. Compton, California
NEvada 6-1185

*High Standards of Psychiatric Treatment
Las Campanas Hospital
under same Medical Direction*

Approved by American College of Surgeons

Glenn Myers, M.D.
Philip J. Cunnane, M.D.
Directors

Resident Psychiatric Staff
Helen Rislow Burns, M.D.
Chas. P. Fitzpatrick, M.D.
Albert Kandelin, M.D.

G. Creswell Burns, M.D.
Medical Director

Julius L. Willson, M.D.
Francis H. Butler, M.D.
Roger C. Hendricks, M.D.
Avon C. Remington, M.D.

Established 31 Years

ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL
SAN FRANCISCO

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

ALANSON WEEKS, M.D., *Chairman*
HAROLD P. HILL, M.D.
WILLIAM G. MOORE, M.D.
GEORGE D. LYMAN, M.D.

A limited General Hospital of 200 beds admitting all class of patients except those suffering from communicable or mental diseases. Organized in 1871, and operated by a Board of Directors, under the direction and supervision of the Executive Committee of the Medical Staff.

Fully approved by the American College of Surgeons and the American Medical Association for Resident and Intern Training.

**MOTION PICTURES and STILLS of
MEDICAL AND SURGICAL SUBJECTS**

in **COLOR**
or **BLACK**
and
WHITE

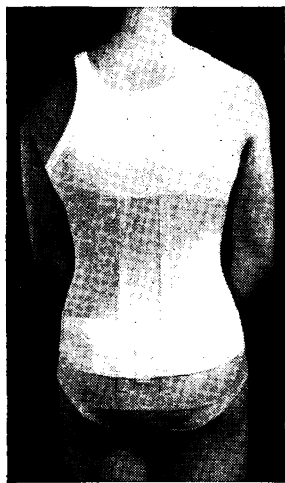


G A B R I E L
MOULIN STUDIOS

181 SECOND STREET • GARFIELD 4546 • SAN FRANCISCO

Advertisers in your OFFICIAL JOURNAL will appreciate requests for literature

For Low Back Pain A Spencer Spinal Support With Outside Pelvic Binder Aids Treatment



Spencer Spinal Support with outside pelvic binder designed especially for this man. Fastens in front by straps of strong surgical webbing which adjust separately so that desired tension at any point is possible. Also designed with lacer in back, when prescribed.

When you prescribe outside pelvic binder on a Spencer Spinal Support, the benefits the patient derives from having the support individually designed are enhanced. The outside binder, pulling against the vertical steels which have been molded to give pressure at points designated by doctor, holds entire length of steels more firmly to body.

Spencer designers create spinal supports varying from flexibility to rigidity, as prescribed. Each Spencer Support is individually designed, cut and made to meet each patient's needs.

For a dealer in Spencer Supports look in telephone book for "Spencer corsetiere" or "Spencer Support Shop," or write direct to us.

SPENCER, INCORPORATED

129 Derby Ave., New Haven 7, Conn.

In Canada: Rock Island, Quebec.

In England: Spencer (Banbury) Ltd., Banbury, Oxon.

Please send me booklet, "How Spencer Supports Aid the Doctor's Treatment."

May We
Send You
Booklet?

Name M.D.

Street

City & State P-8-46

SPENCER INDIVIDUALLY DESIGNED SUPPORTS
For Abdomen, Back and Breasts

NEWS AND NOTES

(Continued from Page 48)

The American Congress of Physical Medicine will hold its twenty-fourth annual scientific and clinical session September 4, 5, 6 and 7, inclusive, at the Hotel Pennsylvania in New York. Scientific and clinical sessions will be given each day. The annual instruction courses will be held September 4, 5, and 6, open to physicians and to therapists registered with the American Registry of Physical Therapy Technicians.

For information concerning the convention and the instruction course, address the American Congress of Physical Medicine, 30 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago 2, Illinois.

Stanford University has received a grant from Winthrop Chemical Company, Inc., for a fellowship in Pharmacology which will run through the calendar years 1946 and 1947. The Stanford grant is one of many totaling \$92,500 which the company has made for special medical research projects.

Dr. Monroe Eaton, director of the Virus Laboratory of the State Department of Public Health, has been named to the editorial committee of the Annual Review of Microbiology, to be published by Annual Reviews, Inc., Stanford University. The review will cover the general field of microbiology—Medical, agricultural and industrial—and various special fields such as the virus diseases, the physiology of bacteria, and the study of protozoology. The first issue is planned for December, 1947.

The American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology announces that the next written examination (Part I) will be held in various cities of the United States and Canada on February 7, 1947. All applications to take the examination must be in the office of the secretary of the board, 1015 Highland Building, Pittsburgh, Pa., by November 1, 1946.

Two grants totaling \$14,500 have been made to the University of California and the university's Medical School for study of medical and physical sciences, according to announcement by the John and Mary B. Markle Foundation. Dr. Ernest W. Page of the Medical School and David M. Greenberg, Ph.D., are the winners of the awards.

Voluntary Health Insurance Weeks have met with much enthusiasm in towns and counties where they have been observed thus far and have found "unexpectedly favorable response from both public officials and private citizens," says *Underwriters Report*, insurance trade magazine. Campaigns are being conducted by California Physicians' Service with strong support from the insurance industry. Druggists have given unexpected financial and vocal support to the campaign, says *Underwriters Report*.

Endorsement of compulsory national health insurance legislation was given before the Senate Labor Committee considering the Wagner-Murray Bill by Alfred B. Lewis, president of Union Casualty Company, New York. Although admitting it would "put my company out of business," the insurance executive said, "I am in favor of it because I am impressed by the great need for this form of social security and by the prospects of continued and embittered industrial strife if this bill is not passed."

Full endorsement of the California Physicians' Service-Blue Cross pre-paid medical care plan was given recently by the executive board of the Los Angeles joint council of Teamsters No. 42. The board, expressing "appreciation and full approval," said that individual teamster participants in the plan are "unstinting in their praise."